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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: U.S. Patent  
Application No. 10/044,920 )  
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Filing Date: January 15, 2002 )  
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Owner: Binax, Inc. )  
) Art Unit: 1641  
Title: PROCESS FOR (A) SEPARATING )  
BIOLOGICAL LIGANDS FROM )  
DILUTE SOLUTIONS AND ) Examiner:  
(B) CONDUCTING AN ) Christopher L. Chin  
IMMUNOCHROMATOGRAPHIC )  
ASSAY THEREOF EMPLOYING )  
SUPERPARAMAGNETIC PARTICLES )  
THROUGHOUT )  
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NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ASSIGNEE FEE  
STATUS AND SUPPLEMENTATION OF ONE-MONTH  
TIME EXTENSION FEE PAID MAY 17, 2005

Counsel for applicants and their assignee herein makes of record that on May 17, 2005  
in connection with this application she arranged payment from her deposit account of the  
\$60.00 small entity fee for a one-month extension of time to respond to an office action.

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Subsequent to May 17, 2005 and approximately about the middle of July she learned  
that applicants' assignee, Binax, Inc. which was purchased by Inverness Medical on or about  
March 30, 2005 but continued to be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary under its  
preexisting name, is no longer eligible to pay the small entity fees and has not been since its

acquisition date.

To cure the deficiency of the May 17, 2005 one month time extension fee paid herein, there is appended hereto a check for an additional \$60.00 so that the total fee paid for the one-month extension sought on May 17, 2005 is now \$120.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (a)(1), the present large entity fee.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mary Helen Sears". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mary" and last name "Sears" being more prominent than the middle name "Helen".

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